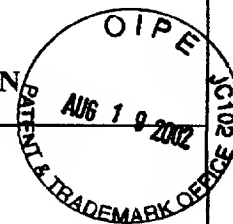


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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION



As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR 80 AND 160 GIGABIT-PER-SECOND QNZ TRANSMISSION IN 200- GHZ OPTICAL BANDWIDTH WITH ENHANCED RECEIVER PERFORMANCE**, the specification of which is filed herewith.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above. I do not know and do not believe that the claimed invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, and that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months (for a utility patent application) or six months (for a design patent application) prior to this application.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a), a copy of which is attached.

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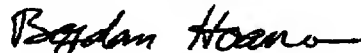
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